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## WAKE ELECTRIC & WAKE FOREST POWER TO SPONSOR INAUGURAL FIRST LIGHT WAKE FOREST

**WAKE FOREST, NC – July 29, 2008 –** The <u>Town of Wake Forest</u> is pleased to announce that <u>Wake Electric</u> and <u>Wake Forest Power</u> have signed on to co-sponsor the inaugural "First Light Wake Forest" on December 31, 2008. The event will mark the official beginning of the <u>2009 Wake Forest Centennial Celebration</u>.

"We are very excited to have Wake Electric and Wake Forest Power as sponsors of First Light Wake Forest," said First Light Wake Forest Planning Chair Brian Pate.

"This partnership was born of shared values and a shared commitment to the community. Their cooperation will help ensure a once-in-a-lifetime New Year's Eve celebration and a fitting kick-off to the 2009 Wake Forest Centennial Celebration."



Area residents are invited to ring in 2009 with <u>First Light Wake Forest</u> on December 31. A non-alcoholic celebration, First Light Wake Forest will be held along South White Street in historic downtown Wake Forest. Featuring food, activities for youth and adults, and live entertainment, the event was created to attract families, seniors, singles and anyone who is looking for an inexpensive, fun way to ring in the New Year.

The First Light Wake Forest Planning Committee has been meeting regularly to prepare a fun-filled, family-friendly event. In June the committee signed "The Voltage Brothers" out of Atlanta, Georgia to headline the town's New Year's Eve celebration.

In addition to Wake Electric and Wake Forest Power, other Centennial Celebration sponsors include Embarq, Captive-Aire, Rex Healthcare, Chris Leith Automotive,

PowerSecure/PowerServices, Wake Forest Drug, Ronnie White's Tire and Towing, Holding Oil and Capital Bank.

Additional Centennial Celebration <u>sponsorship opportunities</u> are available. For more information, contact <u>Kara Louise</u>, Centennial Celebration Events Coordinator, at (919) 761-3021.

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